

and 5) sides of elytra more strongly arcuate.

## 要 約

森田誠司： 日本産ミズギワゴミムシ類の知見. XIX. ニッコウミズギワゴミムシ *Bembidion misellum* と中部地方産の近縁種. —— ニッコウミズギワゴミムシ *Bembidion misellum* とその近縁の 6 種を中部地方から記録, または新種として記載した.

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## New Records of *Creophilus maxillosus* (Coleoptera, Staphylinidae, Staphylininae) from Yaeyama archipelago, the Ryukyus

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A large-sized staphylinid beetle, *Creophilus maxillosus* (LINNAEUS) has wide range distribution in the Palaearctic Region including Japan (SMETANA, 2004). This species is also known to

be distributed widely in Japan including the Ryukyus (SHIBATA, 1985). However, there are only records from Amami-Ôshima Is., Iheya-jima Is. and Okinawa-jima Is, northern Ryukyus. Until now, no record has hitherto been made from the Yaeyama archipelago, southern Ryukyus (SHIBATA, pers. comm.).

Recently, I had an opportunity to visit and to collect insects on Ishigaki-jima Is. and Iriomote-jima Is., the Yaeyama archipelago, and I was able to find *C. maxillosus* in the islands.

In this brief report, I would like to record it as the first records of these two Islands.

### *Creophilus maxillosus* (LINNAEUS, 1758)

*Materials examined.* JAPAN: Yaeyama archipelago (in the Ryukyus). [Ishigaki-jima] 3 ♀, Ibaruma [伊原間], 8-IV-2009, S. YAMAMOTO leg; 1 ♂, Yarabu-dake [屋良部岳], 11-IV-2009, S. YAMAMOTO leg. [Iriomote-jima] 1 ♂, Kampirê-no-taki [カンピレーの滝], 4-IV-2009, S. YAMAMOTO leg. (deposited in the author's collection).

*Distribution.* Japan (Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku, Kyushu, Yaku-shima Is., Ryukyus: Amami-Ôshima Is., Iheya-jima Is., Okinawa-jima Is., Ishigaki-jima Is., Iriomote-jima Is.); Siberia, China, North Korea, South Korea, Taiwan, India, Europe, North Africa, Hawaii, North America, etc. New to Ishigaki-jima Is. and Iriomote-jima Is..

*Notes.* The individuals of *C. maxillosus* collected from Ibaruma, Ishigaki-jima Is. were found under a cattle carcass. It was already skeletonized, and a few fly puparia were scattered around them. I observed the staphylinid beetle not only in grassland but also in laurel forests.

The present paper reports the first record of *C. maxillosus* from the southern Ryukyus, and it suggests that this species is distributed widely throughout the Ryukyus. The species will be found from the other islands of the Ryukyus, such as Tokunoshima Is. and Yonaguni-jima Is.

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